

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Board Meeting Minutes
Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA
October 22, 2014 * 10:00 a.m.

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met on Wednesday, October 22, 2014, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members participating:

Board Members Present:

Robert McCullough, O.D.
Jerry Prchal, O.D.
Jody Whisenant, O.D.
Betty Ann Lindsey, Consumer Member
Larry Brown, O.D.
Karen Canupp, O.D.

Staff Present

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Stacey Mitchell, Board Support Specialist

Attorney General's Office

Wylencia Monroe, Asst. Attorney General

Dr. McCullough established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

Agenda: Approved as presented

Meeting Minutes:

- July 16, 2014

Dr. Prchal moved, Dr. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to approve the July 16, 2014 open session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report:

- Telemedicine: The Georgia Composite Medical Board's new rule on "Telemedicine" reviewed and discussed by Board. GOA had asked this Board to review the new rule to see if a similar rule may be considered for development. Added as an ongoing agenda item to be revisited next meeting.

Executive Director's Report:

2015 Board Meeting Dates:

(All meetings are scheduled on a Wednesday, and begin at 10:00 a.m.)

- **01-14-2015**
- **04-15-2015 – Conference Call Meeting**
- **07-15-2015**
- **10-14-2015 – Conference Call Meeting**

Rules Discussion:

- 430-2-.04 Continuing Education – Discussion tabled; Review next scheduled meeting date.

Correspondence:

- NBEO Assessment Tool – a new test for practitioners

Ratify list of licenses issued between meetings:

- Application Ratify List – July 10, 2014 to October 15, 2014:

OPT002830	Khadem Neirizi, Nazanin
OPT002831	Landrum, John Caleb
OPT002832	Barry, Lina Sophie
OPT002833	Butt, Farah Azeez
OPT002834	Brown, Tristan Marshall
OPT002835	Rahn, Aaron Michael
OPT002836	Wright, Douglas Alan
OPT002837	Layman, Ann Saracini
OPT002838	Nelson, Patrick William
OPT002839	Patrick, Dale Ernest
OPT002840	Cranmer, Mallory Ann
OPT002841	Randolph, Katherine Cragon
OPT002842	Gosalia, Reema
OPT002843	Vasiliou, Dax Jovon

Dr. Whisenant moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to approve the application ratify list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Waiver/Variance:

- Phebus, Mark Randall – Rule 430-2-.05 Inactive Status

Administrative staff will send correspondence to licensee regarding the petition request.

Dr. Prchal moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2) and 43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications, complaints and to receive the Cognizant and Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Robert McCullough, Jerry Prchal, Betty Ann Lindsey, Jody Whisenant, Karen Canupp and Larry Brown.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, October 22, 2014, the meeting was declared to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Applications:

- N.K.
 - Recommendation - Issue with private letter of concern
- A.R.
 - Recommendation - Issue with private letter of concern

Dr. Canupp moved, Dr. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to approve, and for the administrative staff to act on, the recommendations on the applications. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General's Report:

A written status and activity report was provided for Board review.

Dr. Whisenant moved, Ms. Lindsey seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant Report – Complaints:

Case(s) Pending Receipt of Additional Information:

- OPT150004
- OPT150007

Case(s) Closed:

- OPT140013, OPT150001, OPT150002, OPT150003, OPT150005, and OPT150006

Non-Compliance with Board Order:

- M.E.

Recommendation: Mr. Zimmerman will send another letter requesting the information. Licensee will need to respond back within 10 days for the board to review at the November 20, 2014 conference all meeting.

Ms. Canupp moved, Dr. Prchal seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations, and for the administrative staff to act on, of the Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- July16, 2014

Dr. Brown moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to approve the July16, 2014 Executive Session minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Miscellaneous Discussion:

A teleconference meeting will be scheduled for November 20, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. primarily to obtain votes on Petitions for Waiver or Variance of a Board Rule submitted, and other business as needed.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Stacey Mitchell, Board Support Specialist, HC1
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

DR. ROBERT MCCULLOUGH

Dr. Robert McCullough, Chair

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Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: November 20, 2014